

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
Statement of Legal Newspaper Ownership and Circulation

Return to: Secretary of State, 500 E. Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501-5077

1. TITLE OF NEWSPAPER <i>American News</i>		2. DATE OF FILING <i>12/12/2001</i>	
3. FREQUENCY OF ISSUE <i>Daily</i>	3A. NO. OF ISSUES PUBLISHED ANNUALLY <i>365</i>	3B. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION PRICE <i>\$156.00</i>	
4. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF KNOWN OFFICE OF PUBLICATION (Street, City, County, State and ZIP+4 Code) (Not printers) <i>124 S 2nd St PO Box 4430 Aberdeen, SD 57402-4430</i>			
5. COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS OF THE HEADQUARTERS OR GENERAL BUSINESS OFFICES OF THE PUBLISHER (Not printers) <i>Same</i>			
6. FULL NAME OF PUBLISHER: <i>Aberdeen News Company</i>			
7. OWNER (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and list on the back of this form the names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a partnership or other unincorporated firm, its name and address, as well as that of each individual must be given.) FULL NAME <i>Knight-Ridder, Inc</i> COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS <i>50 W. San Fernando Street, Suite 1500 San Jose, California 95113-2413</i>			
8. KNOWN BONDHOLDERS, MORTGAGES, AND OTHER SECURITY HOLDERS OWNING OR HOLDING 1 PERCENT OR MORE OF TOTAL AMOUNT OF BONDS, MORTGAGES OR OTHER SECURITIES (If there are none, so state. If more space is needed, list on back of this form.) <i>NONE</i>			
9. EXTENT AND NATURE OF CIRCULATION (See Instructions on reverse side)		AVERAGE NO. COPIES EACH ISSUED PRECEDING 12 MONTHS	ACTUAL NO. COPIES ISSUED NEAREST TO FILING DATE
A. TOTAL NO. COPIES (Net Press Run)		<i>Daily</i> <i>Sunday</i>	<i>Daily</i> <i>Sunday</i>
B. PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION			
1. Sales through dealers and carriers, street vendors and counter sales.		<i>12579</i> <i>14979</i>	<i>13220</i> <i>15412</i>
2. Mail Subscription (Paid and or requested)		<i>3495</i> <i>3041</i>	<i>3426</i> <i>2931</i>
C. TOTAL PAID AND/OR REQUESTED CIRCULATION (Sum of 9B1 and 9B2)		<i>16,074</i> <i>18,020</i>	<i>16,646</i> <i>18,343</i>
D. FREE DISTRIBUTION			
1. BY MAIL, CARRIER OR OTHER MEANS		<i>18</i> <i>18</i>	<i>18</i> <i>18</i>
2. SAMPLES, COMPLIMENTARY AND OTHER FREE COPIES		<i>25</i> <i>33</i>	<i>15</i> <i>15</i>
E. TOTAL DISTRIBUTION (Sum of C, D1 and D2)		<i>16,117</i> <i>18,071</i>	<i>16,679</i> <i>18,376</i>
F. COPIES NOT DISTRIBUTED			
1. Office use, left over, unaccounted, spoiled after printing		<i>514</i> <i>833</i>	<i>164</i> <i>353</i>
2. Return from News Agents		<i>780</i> <i>925</i>	<i>315</i> <i>540</i>
G. TOTAL (Sum of E, F1 and F2 - Should equal net press run shown in A)		<i>17411</i> <i>19829</i>	<i>17158</i> <i>19269</i>

I swear that the statements made by me above are correct and complete.

SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF PUBLISHER, BUSINESS MANAGER OR OWNER

Don Salphank Director of Finance

State of South Dakota

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County of Brown

(Seal)

Sworn to before me this 12th day of

December, 2001

Carla Donnelly

Notary Public

My commission expires 8/7/2003

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT and CIRCULATION

1. Publication Title: American News.
2. Publication No: 003-240.
3. Filing Date: September 29, 2000.
4. Issue Frequency: Daily Monday - Saturday and Sunday
5. Number of Issues Published Annually: 365.
6. Annual Subscription Price: \$156.00.
7. Complete Mailing Address of Known Office of Publication: 124 S. 2nd Street, PO Box 4430, Aberdeen, Brown County, SD, 57402-4430.
8. Complete Mailing Address of Headquarters or General Business Office of Publisher: 124 S. 2nd Street, PO Box 4430, Aberdeen, Brown County, SD, 57402-4430.
9. Full Names and Complete Mailing Addresses of Publisher, Editor, and Managing Editor: Publisher, Adrian Pratt - PO Box 4430, Aberdeen SD, 57402-4430; Editor, Cynthia R. Eikamp - PO Box 4430, Aberdeen SD, 57402-4430; Managing Editor, None.
10. Owner: Aberdeen News Company, 124 S. 2nd Street, PO Box 4430, Aberdeen SD, 57402-4430, the sole stockholder of which is Knight Ridder, Inc., 1500 West Fernando Street, Suite 1200, San Jose, California, 95113-2413.

The names and addresses of stockholders owning or holding 1% or more of total amount of stock of Knight-Ridder, Inc. are:

Cede & Co., c/o Depository Trust Company, P.O. Box 20, Bowling Green Station, New York, New York 10274.

Southeastern Asset Management, Inc., 860 Ridgelake Blvd., Suite 301, Memphis, TN 38119.

Capital Research & Management, One Market, Steuart Tower, 19th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94105.

The Walt Disney Company, 500 South Buena Vista Street, Burbank, CA 91525.

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Harris Associates L.P., 2 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, IL 60602-3790.

Barclays Bank, PLC, 45 Fremont Street, 17th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94105-2228.

JP Morgan Investment Management, 60 Wall Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10260-0060.

Knight Foundation, held in the name of Mellon Bank, One Mellon Bank Center, Pittsburgh, PA 15258.

Delaware Management Company, 1 Commerce Square, 2005 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-7042.

Franklin Portfolio Associates, 2 International Plaza, 22nd Floor, Boston, MA 02110-4104.

State Street Bank & Trust, Investment Research Dept., 225 Franklin Street, Boston, MA 02110-2875.

Franklin Mutual Advisers, Inc., 51 John F. Kennedy Parkway, Short Hills, NJ 07078-2708.

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Travelers Corporation, 1 Tower Square, 9PB, Hartford, CT 06183-2030.

Deutsche Asset Management, 1 Bankers Trust Plaza, 130 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10006-1012.

Daniel Ridder, c/o Press-Telegram, 604 Pine Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90844-0003.

Barbara Ridder Irwin, Village Road, Box 158, New Vernon, NJ 07976-0158.

United States Steel and Carnegie Pension Fund, 767 Fifth Avenue, 9th Floor, New York, NY 10153-0054.

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Vantage Investment Advisors, 405 Lexington Avenue, 34th Floor, New York, NY 10174-3499.

McMorgan & Company, 1 Bush Street-800, San Francisco, CA 94104-4425.

Bank of New York, Institutional Equity Management, 1 Wall Street, New York, NY 10286-0001.

Merrill Lynch Investment Managers, 800 Scudders Mill Road, Plainsboro, NJ 08536-1606.

11. Known Bondholders, Mortgagees, and Other Security Holders Owning or Holding 1 Percent or More of Total Amounts of Bonds, Mortgages or Other Securities: None.

12. For completion by nonprofit organizations authorized to mail at special rates: Not applicable

13. Publication Name: American News

14. Issue Date for Circulation Data Below: Thursday, September 7, 2000 and Sunday, September 10, 2000.

15. Extent and nature of circulation: Total No. Copies (Net Press Run): Average No. Copies Each Issue During Preceding 12 Months: 18,036 Monday-Saturday, and 21,142 on Sunday. Actual No. Copies of Single issue Published Nearest to Filing date: 17,045 Monday-Saturday and 20,282 on Sunday.

b. Paid and/or Requested Circulation: 1. Sales through Dealers, and Carriers, Street Vendors, and counter Sales: Average No. Copies Each Issue During preceding 12 months: 13,300 Monday-Saturday and 15,651 on Sunday. Actual No. of Copies of Single Issue Published Nearest to Filing Date: 12,504 Monday-Saturday, 15,326 on Sunday.

2. Paid or Requested Mail Subscriptions: Average No. Copies Each Issue Preceding 12 months: 3,452 Monday - Saturday and 3,075 on Sunday. Actual No Copies of Single Issue Published Nearest to Filing Date: 3,443 and 3,038 on Sunday.

c. Total paid and/or Requested Circulation: Average No. Copies Each Issue During Preceding 12 months: 16,758 Monday-Saturday and 18,727 on Sunday. Actual No. Copies of Single Issue Published Nearest to Filing Date: 15,947 Monday-Saturday and 18,364 on Sunday.

d. Free Distribution by Mail: Average No. of Copies Each issue During the Preceding 12 months: 1 Monday- Saturday and 5 on Sunday. Actual No. of Copies of single Issue Published Nearest to Filing Date: 1 Monday - Saturday and 1 on Sunday.

e. Free Distribution Outside the Mail: Average No. of Copies Each Issue During the Preceding 12 months: 61 Monday-Saturday and 42 on Sunday, Actual No. of Copies Single Issue Published Nearest to Filing Date: 31 and 31 on Sunday.

f. Total Free Distribution : Average No. of Copies Each Issue During the Preceding 12 months: 62 Monday-Saturday and 47 on Sunday.

g. Total Distribution: Average No. of Copies Each Issue During Preceding 12 Months: 16,820 and 18,774 on Sunday. Actual No. of Copies Published Nearest To Filing Date: 15,979 Monday-Saturday and 18,396 on Sunday.

h. Copies Not Distributed: 1. Office, Leftovers, Spoiled, Average No. of copies each Issue Preceding 12 Months: 310 Monday-Saturday and 365 on Sunday. Actual No. of Copies for Single Issue published Nearest to Filing Date: 318 and 369 on Sunday. 2. Returns from News agents: Average No. Copies Each Issue During the Preceding 12 months: 906 Monday-Saturday and 1004 on Sunday. Actual No. of Copies Published Nearest to Filing Date: 748 and 1,517 on Sunday.

i. Total Average Copies During the Preceding 12 months: 18,036 Monday-Saturday and 20,142 on Sunday. Actual No. of Copies of Single Issue Published Nearest to Filing Date: 17,045 and 20,282 on Sunday.

j. Percent Paid and/or Requested Circulation. Average No. of Copies each issue During Preceding 12 Months : 99.63% Monday-Saturday and 99.75% on Sunday. Actual No. Copies of Single Issue Published Nearest to Filing Date 99.8% and 99.83% on Sunday.

16. This Statement of Ownership will be printed in the October 19, 2000 issue of this publication.

17. I certify that all information furnished on this form is true and complete. Cindy Eikamp, VP and Executive Editor.